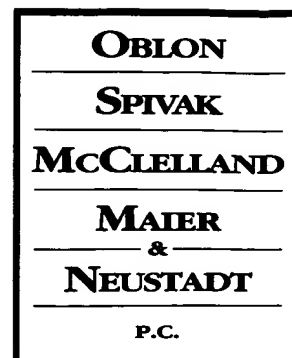


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SIR:

In Response to the Office Action mailed June 5, 2001, please note the following  
remarks traversing the rejection of Claims 1-5 and 18.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. Claims 17 and 20 have been withdrawn  
from consideration.

The outstanding Action presents a rejection of Claims 1-5 and 18 as being obvious  
over Iwamatsu et al (the 1995 article entitled "*High-Speed 0.5 $\mu$ m SOI 1/8 Frequency Divider  
with Body-Fixed Structure for Wide Range of Applications*") ( Iwamatsu) in view of Agari (JA  
6-224302) and Chen et al (U.S. Patent No. 5,767,549)(Chen).

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication that Claims 6-16 and 19 would be